

**STATE OF GEORGIA
TMDL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN
OCONEE RIVER BASIN**

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TMDL Implementation Plans are not required for these segments:

Waterbody Name	Stream Location	Pollutant
1. Apalachee River	Marburg Creek to Lake Oconee	FCG(Hg)
2. Black Creek	Baldwin County	Bio(Sediments)
3. Carters Mill Creek	Headwaters to Keg Creek	Bio(Sediments)
4. Cedar Creek	Winder Reservoir to Mulberry River, Winder	FCG(Hg)
5. Lake Bennett	Charlie Elliott Public Fishing Area	FCG(Hg)
6. Lake Brantley	Hard Labor State Park	DO
7. Lake Oconee	Morgan, Greene and Putnam Counties	FCG(Hg)
8. Oconee River	Confluence of North & Middle Oconee Rivers, Athens to Barnett Shoals Dam	FCG(Hg)
9. Oconee River	Barnett Shoals to Lake Oconee	FCG(Hg)
10. Porter Creek	Headwaters to Big Sandy Creek	Bio(Sediments)
11. Sandy Hill Creek	Headwaters to Oconee River	Bio(Sediments)
12. Shellstone Creek	U.S. Hwy. 23 to Ocmulgee River	Bio(Sediments)
13. North Oconee River	Jackson County to Sandy Creek	Cu

INTRODUCTION

TMDL implementation plans are not required for the preceding segments because Georgia Environmental Protection Division (Georgia EPD) has delisted them.

DELISTED SEGMENTS

EPA requires Georgia EPD to demonstrate good cause for not including streams that were previously listed on the Section 303(d) list. Good cause includes, but is not limited to, more recent and accurate data, more sophisticated water quality modeling, flaws in the original analysis that led to the waterbody being listed or changes in conditions, for example, new control equipment, or elimination of discharges. In the Draft 2002 Section 303(d) listing proposal Georgia EPD submitted good cause justification to EPA to delist the stream segments listed below from its 2002 Section 303(d) list.

Georgia EPD delisted stream segments using methodology from the Water Quality in Georgia 1998-99 Report (305(b) report), Appendix A, and USEPA document Guidance for 303(b) listing. In considering all the data on the affected segments EPD concluded that water quality is being met and removed them from the 2002 Section 303(d) list.